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NATIONAL SMOKEJUMPER ASSOCIATION
March 16, 1995

The National Smokejumper Association met jointly with the Reunion Committee on Thursday, March 16, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. at its office on South Avenue. Attending were: Bill Carver, Barry Hicks, Earl Cooley, Ed Courtney, Art Jukala, Lowell Hanson, and Phil Davis.

- I. REUNION COMMITTEE: Reports from various committees were made concerning events to take place on July 7, 8, and 9. Reservations have been made for use of the Missoula County Fairgrounds, the UM Ballroom, and if available, the UM Field house. Menus for the barbecue, banquet, and brunch were discussed and agreed upon, as were ticket prices for each event. A form letter listing various options for activities, buckles, etc. was discussed and will be printed up and sent to all on the mailing list. The completed form will allow for advance registration, and an early count of those planning to attend. The next meeting will be April 20, 1995, 7:00 p.m. at the South Ave. Office.

- II. NSA MEETING: Attending were Bill Carver, Earl Cooley, Ed Courtney, Art Jukala, and Lowell Hanson. One item agenda: Renewal, process for one-year memberships. Earl explained, with a diagram, thoughts regarding his support for a different membership renewal process. His plan would require payment of yearly dues to be applied to the member's original membership anniversary date, regardless of the time of renewal. This plan would provide the opportunity for a member with delinquent membership to apply his/her dues retroactively to the overdue period, thus providing continuous membership from the original anniversary date in the N.S.A. Earl's rationale for his plan was a belief that a reduction in paper work would occur, as the only notification of an overdue membership needed would be the renewal date found on each member's newsletter address label. Lowell explained, with a diagram, the present renewal process that he believes is successfully in place to date. Members are notified prior to their membership expiration date with a "Fire Call!/Reminder Card" Upon receipt of the dues the member is sent a new membership card validating his/her membership for one year from the date the dues are received in the NSA office. After discussion of both plans it was decided that the present one year renewal system should be continued for at least six months. At the end of the six months period the Executive Board may review the renewal process and recommend

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to continue or change the present system.

All attending agreed to this recommendation